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(*d*) The rates of travelling allowance admissible to a member of a local board are as follows :—

Daily allowance.	Nil.
Mileage and railway fare.	Such rates as may be fixed by the local board concerned subject to the following maxima :— Six annas a mile in the Wynaad taluk of the Malabar district and four annas a mile elsewhere for journeys by road, three annas a mile by canal and a single second-class and one third-class fare by rail.

(*e*) The Government have not the information.

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Fees for the X-ray treatment given to the Raja of Vizianagram.

* 298 Q.—Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Radiologist of the General Hospital went to the Vizianagram Samasthanam with the General Hospital X-ray equipment (portable) ;

(*b*) for how many days the Radiologist was away from the city ; and

(*c*) what was the amount received from the Raja for this treatment ?

A.—(*a*) Yes, in September 1926.

(*b*) Four days.

(*c*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer given to clause (*e*) of his question No. 1651 at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 1st March 1928.

Appointment of assistant surgeons to divisional headquarters hospitals.

* 299 Q.—Mr. B. RAMACHANDRA REDDI : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have posted to each of the divisional headquarters hospitals now taken under their management, medical officers of the grade of assistant surgeons ; and if not, when they propose to do so ; and

(*b*) whether the Government have allowed the taluk boards to open Ayurvedic dispensaries with the funds saved to them in the above manner especially when a batch of medical men have taken degrees this year in the indigenous systems of medicine from the School of Indian Medicine ; and if not, why not ?

A.—(*a*) Of the 96 institutions at divisional centres included in the Provincialization scheme, 6 are at the present moment in charge of civil surgeons, 50 in charge of civil assistant surgeons and the remaining 40 in charge of sub-assistant surgeons. The question of appointing Civil Assistant Surgeons to the 40 institutions now in charge of sub-assistant surgeons is under consideration.